

Submitter: Jeffrey Smith

On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Climate, Energy, and Environment

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2738

Honorable Members of the House Committee on Climate, Energy, and Environment,

Regarding HB 2738, I write in opposition to this proposed law for the following reasons:

1. Research from 2017 shows that while lead leaves in the air were elevated during the Sportscar Vintage Racing Association (SVRA) held at Portland International Raceway (PIR), they were still “significantly lower than the Oregon OSHA permissible exposure level for lead.” (The Effects of Short-Term, In Utero Lead Exposure on Birth Outcomes by Trimester: Quasi-Experimental Evidence from NASCAR’s Deleading Policy. Bui, et. Al. April 2021)
2. The Staff Measure Summary prepared by Eerin Pischke, LPRO Analyst presents no peer reviewed data stating the level of airborne lead contaminates poses a threat to the citizens of Portland, Oregon.
3. With lack of any data to support the need of this HB, I believe the House Committee on Climate, Energy, and Environment could better utilize their resources researching legislation that combats the annual wild fires of Oregon.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Smith